

Portland Harbor Superfund Site Collaborative Group
Cathedral Park Project Area Working Group | High-Level Meeting Summary
Tuesday, March 23, 2021 | Time: 5:15 – 7:00 p.m.

Action Items		
What	Who	When
1. Complete Doodle Poll for April Meeting	Everyone	By 4/4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Doodle Poll Link to Select Day/Time for April Meeting: https://www.meetdoodle.com/meeting?id=oqtk822rV
2. Upload Josie's Incremental Sampling presentation on the PH Collaborative Youtube channel	Triangle	Complete <ul style="list-style-type: none"> YouTube Link to Josie's 3/24/21 Incremental Sampling Presentation: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4g4-1iEMMvo
3. Josie to revise maps based on community feedback for sampling 'decision units'	Josie Clark	By April Cathedral Park Project Area Working Group Meeting
4. Lucila to reach out to Mila on OneDrive Access	Triangle	By 4/2

March 23 Cathedral Park Working Group Meeting

The following Community Leaders attended this meeting remotely:

- *Alex Lopez, Portland Harbor Community Coalition (PHCC)*
- *Cassie Cohen, Portland Harbor Community Coalition (PHCC)*
- *Doug Larson, Portland Harbor Community Advisory Group (CAG)*
- *Jon Smart, Cathedral Park Neighborhood Association (CPNA)*
- *Laura Feldman, Occupy St. Johns*
- *Lacen Horter, Sauvie Island Grange*
- *Mark Whitcomb, Willamette River Advocacy Group (WRAG)*
- *Mamelang Memela, Portland Harbor Community Coalition (PHCC)*
- *Mila Repa Franzoni, Village Coalition – City Repair Project*
- *Sarah Taylor, CAG and Braided Rivers*
- *Willie Levenson, Willamette River Human Access Project*

The following EPA staff attended this meeting remotely:

- *Laura Knudsen, EPA*
- *Josie Clark, EPA*
- *Caleb Shaffer, EPA*

The following DEQ staff attended this meeting remotely:

- *Franziska Landes, DEQ*

Welcome and Introductions

The Facilitator welcomed participants and shared the purpose and goals behind the Cathedral Park Project Area Working Group. The Facilitator briefly introduced existing members and new members introduced themselves.

The Facilitator then provided an overview of the following:

- Map of the Cathedral Park Project Area
- February 24th Meeting
 - Feb 24, 2021 Slide Deck for Working Group: <https://semspub.epa.gov/src/document/10/100306759>
 - Feb 24, 2021 High-Level Summary: <https://semspub.epa.gov/src/document/10/100285594>
- Today's Agenda

Presentation: EPA's Incremental Sampling Approach

Josie Clark, EPA, provided [a presentation introducing EPA's incremental sampling approach](#) in the Cathedral Park Project Area. Josie explained the following:

- The general concept and purpose behind incremental sampling methodology (ISM)
- The difference between discrete samples and incremental samples
- The definition of a decision unit
- Why ISM is the best approach to characterize the beach
- How ISM addresses hotspots by ensuring those areas are represented in the incremental sample and accounted for in the average concentration.
 - If results for the average concentration of any decision unit are higher than EPA expects, EPA will evaluate further action.
- The overall process of analyzing incremental samples

Feedback on Community Use at the Cathedral Park Beach

The Facilitator asked community members to discuss how they use the Cathedral Park beach and project area (see below).

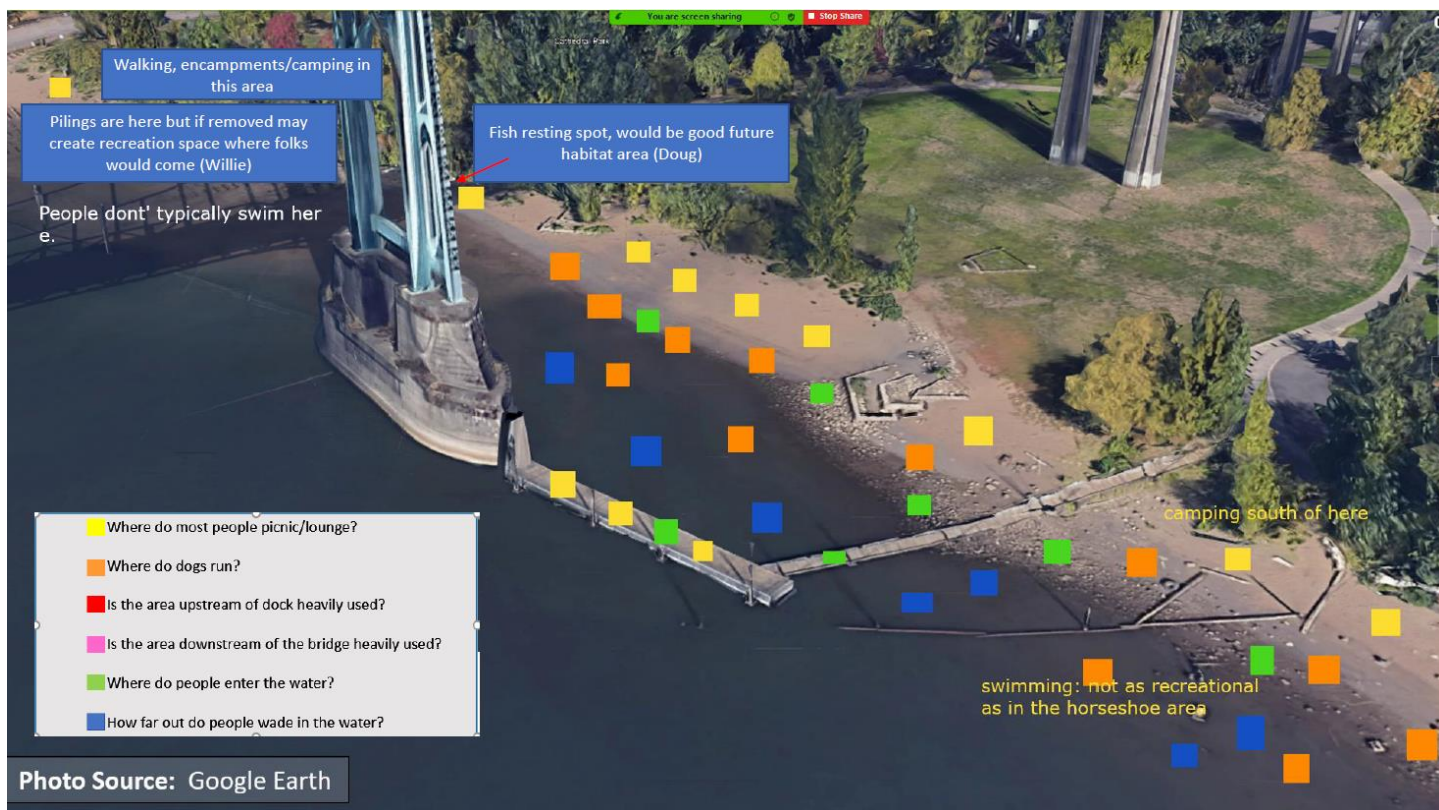


Figure 1. Results of March 23, 2021 Cathedral Park Project Area Working Group Discussion on Usage

Josie shared potential options for sample areas and received community feedback including:

- High activity in the horseshoe area
- Regular activity south/upstream of the dock
- Lower activity north of the bridge/downstream (yet activities such as walking, encampments do occur)

Resources: Past Cathedral Park Project Area Presentations

EPA Overview & Update: Cathedral Park Project Area, From 9/16/2020:

<https://semspub.epa.gov/src/document/10/100272164>

Discussion Slide Deck on Cathedral Park Area for Community leaders and Members, EPA, DEQ, OHA, Multnomah County, City of Portland, State of Oregon, From 8/2/2020:

<https://semspub.epa.gov/src/document/10/100260072>

Discussion: Educational Activity for the Cathedral Park Project Area

The Facilitator briefly introduced the tentative timeline for an educational activity at the Cathedral Park Project Area. The Facilitator asked members to brainstorm potential audiences for the activity, which the group will review at April's meeting.

Summary and Next Steps

The Facilitator summarized the meeting action items which are captured in the table above. The Facilitator shared that OneDrive will be used for file sharing and explained how to access the folder.

The meeting was adjourned, but any attendees who wished to revisit the [Portland Harbor Public Forum presentation on the health and ecological risks from September 16, 2020](#) were invited to stay on and have Josie, Laura & Caleb run through that information again.